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BIRTHS.
On the 6th April, at 2, Bay View, Kowloon, the wife of S. W. Moon, of a son.

At Ngan-han, Szochuan, the wife of Ernest A. J. Thomas, C.M.S., of a son.

MARRIAGE.
On the 2nd April, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, HANSER LEE, younger son of L. WINTER ALLEN, of Shanghai, to ELIZABETH EMMA, second daughter of GEORGE E. KING, of Northwick, Cheshire.

DEATH.
On the 31st March, at No. 18, Quinsay Road, Shanghai, SAMUEL GEORGE, infant son of GEORGE and JANE PEACE, aged seven weeks.

The DAILY PRESS.

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HONGKONG, 7th April, 1903.

TWELVE months ago to-day the Convention was signed at Peking by which H.M. the Emperor of all the Russias out of a desire to give a new proof of his love of peace and of his sentiments of friendship towards H.M. the Emperor of China agreed to restore to the Chinese Government the right to exercise governmental and administrative powers in Manchuria as they were before the occupation by the Russian troops. It will be remembered that Russia agreed to evacuate the province in three stages at half-yearly intervals. Six months after the signing of the Convention she undertook that the Russian troops from the south-west portion of the province of Mukden as far as the Liao River should be withdrawn and the railway restored to China. The railway has been restored, but as for the withdrawal of the troops, no one outside the British Foreign Office appears satisfied that Russia has fulfilled or has any intention of fulfilling the terms of the binding agreement. The accounts of all who have studied the subject on the spot agree that what Russia means by a withdrawal of her troops is that they shall be withdrawn to strategic points along the line of railway nominally for the protection of the railway. Virtually Russia's "evacuation" is such as

does not to any appreciable degree relinquish her hold upon the province. During the last six months, according to the terms of the Convention, Russia should have withdrawn her troops from the remaining part of the province of Mukden and from the province of Kirin, and during the ensuing six months she has undertaken to complete the evacuation by withdrawing the remainder of the Russian troops in the province of Hei-lung-kiang. Very little information about the movements of the Russian troops in Manchuria become known to the outside world, but the Tartar Generals are naturally keeping a keen eye on all that happens. They have noted this concentration of Russian troops along the line of railway, and the Generals stationed near the Russian frontier have also reported the arrival of considerable accessions to the strength of the force in the province. Dr. Morrison, after touring through the province and noting the rapid growth of Russian cities, and the other abounding indications of permanent occupation, has expressed the opinion that only armed force can now drive Russia out of Manchuria, the armed force of some other power than Chinese. Not long since a Chinese paper gave what purported to be the text of a number of proposals made by Russia to China which in effect amount to joint administration of the province. It is abundantly clear that Russia has no intention to restore the governmental and administrative rights in Manchuria to the Chinese Government and it is important to bear in mind that Russia's engagement to withdraw all her troops in contingent upon the following circumstances:—"That the Chinese Government assumes the obligations to protect by every possible means the railway and its staff, and is equally obliged to safeguard in Manchuria the security of all Russian subjects in general who may be there, and all enterprises undertaken by them." These "enterprises," as we have frequently pointed out, are being developed with marvellous energy, and it may be said with the utmost confidence that when October arrives, by which time according to the Convention "the complete evacuation of the Russian troops" should have taken place, Russia will not be lacking in excuses for failure to fulfil her engagement.

As notified in another column, the banks here will be closed for public business on Good Friday and Easter Monday, the 10th and 13th instant respectively.

The new Canton River steamer *Kinsan*, built for the owners by the Kowloon Dock Company, made her builders' trial trip yesterday.

In connection with the Easter holidays, the steamer *Chukong* will leave here for Macao on Saturday, returning on Monday. Further particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

The visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ended 5th April were 306 non-Chinese and 91 Chinese to the former, and 89 non-Chinese and 2,213 Chinese to the latter institution.

Mr. G. J. T. Newman, who has discharged for some time past the responsible duties of chief clerk to the Registrar of H.B.M.'s Supreme Court at Shanghai has resigned his appointment and leaves immediately to take up other work in America. Mr. Newman is succeeded at the Court by Mr. G. W. King, lately of Tientsin.

The average minimum of the thermometer in the Settlement of Shanghai in March was 44.31, the average maximum 52.85, and the mean 48.58, against 46.06, 42.17, and 54.11, respectively, in March, 1902. The rainfall in March was 5.68 inches, and rain fell measurably on 20 days, against 3.21 inches and 10 days in March, 1902, and an average of 3.43 inches and 10.9 days for the 21 years 1882-1902.

We are asked to state that copies of the Petition to the Secretary of State for the Colonies, concerning the new Admiralty Dock, will be on view for public signature in the following places:—Hongkong Club, German Club, Luisitano Club, Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China; Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Messrs. Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.; Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Co., and the Hongkong Dispensary.

A representative of the *China Times* has had the opportunity of inspecting the first of the railcars ordered for the journey of the Imperial Court to the Western Tombs. The car arrived at Tientsin on the 23rd ult. The outside is finished off with brass fittings. The interior is divided into three rooms, the furniture in each portion as well as the tapistry hanging being supplied by Messrs. Hall & Holtz, Ltd. The first room, a lounge, is furnished with sofas and armchairs covered with rich silk. The cushions are covered with imperial yellow silk. Handsome heavy tapistry and Neil curtains match the furniture. The adjoining apartment is sumptuously furnished as a drawing room. The same handsome material is used; the colour only is different, the prevailing shade being terra cotta. A velvet pile carpet covers the floor. The third section or retiring room is upholstered in sky blue, and rivals the others in effect. The car was built at Tengshan under the superintendence of Mr. Moltland.

The hollow steel mast which has been made for *Shamrock III* is declared to be the most remarkable achievement in yacht construction in the United Kingdom. The workmen who built the spars for all three challengers say that the mast for the new boat is 1500 pounds lighter than that carried by *Shamrock II*, while the whale sail is 1500 pounds lighter than the lower mast of *Shamrock I*. The workmen declare that they do not see how the designer is apparently satisfied with the result, since there is no talk of building an extra spar for an emergency. The reef and boom are about the same weight as previous spars.

An audience was granted on the 13th ult. by the Empress Dowager and the Emperor to Yuan Shikai (the Viceroy of Chihli).

Two Frenchmen were arrested at Singapore last week while they were taking a photograph of the Singapore Club.

The Danish Press aver that the voyage of the Kaiser to Copenhagen has a more important character than that of a pure courtly visit.

The Venezuelan warships *Zamora*, *Vincente de Mayo*, and *Zarzurado*, captured by the British during the blockade, have been returned to Venezuela at La Guaira.

Baron Mumm von Schwarzenstein, German Ambassador in Peking, will, it is said, return to his post in May. He intends to make the journey from Germany, via Siberia.

The British ship *Kelat*, which sailed from Hongkong for New York, arrived at her destination at the beginning of last month with her main-topgallant mast gone.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—V. H. Deacon, \$100.

The Korean Government is negotiating with Belgian bankers for a loan of \$3,000,000, secured on the import duties. Several important railway concessions in Korea will also be granted to Belgian bankers.

A Japanese has been arrested by the Kowloon Police for being found in possession of 7,700 forged \$5 notes of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation. The police are on the search for accomplices.

The Emperor of China has sent two hundred Orders of the Dragon for distribution among Japanese officers of the force that occupied Peking after the Boxer troubles, in recognition of their services in guarding the Imperial Palace.

Austria intends to send an expert to China, who will endeavour to secure the participation of a number of mercantile firms for the foundation of a large banking institute. The Austrian Government will eventually contribute 12,500,000 kronen, this amount being half of the share capital. The chief officer of the Bank will be in Tientsin.

A Peking despatch states that at the recommendation of Viceroy Yuan Shikai the Grand Council has ordered Rear-Admiral Fah, commanding the Feiyang squadron, to take with him a couple, or three, of his cruisers to Japan to witness the naval manoeuvres, which are soon to take place in the vicinity of Kobe.

The naval review which is to take place at Kowloon on Good Friday, the *Kobe Chronicle* says, will be the most important that has ever been held in Japan. Including torpedo-boats, about seventy vessels will take part in the coming review, against some forty vessels on the occasion of the last review which was held in April, 1900. The Emperor of Japan will review the fleet.

A telegram in the *Ostasiatische Lloyd* says:—President Loubet is going to Algiers on Saturday, returning on Monday. Further particulars will be found in our advertisement columns.

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According to a Berlin telegram the Dewey affair, which was caused by some alleged anti-German remarks of the American Admiral, has not assumed a serious character, thanks to the firm action of President Roosevelt. Thus the case will not only have no diplomatic consequences, but by the steps of President Roosevelt the relations between Berlin and Washington will remain very satisfactory.

It appears that the Japanese teachers in the Chinese University at Peking are drawing their fixed salaries on a gold basis. The monthly salary was 600 dollars, and when the time for payment came the teachers claimed that the salary was fixed in Japanese dollars. A Peking correspondent in the *Shanghai Mercury* reckons this as \$1,100 a month, but we cannot make it more than about \$760. However there is said to be on the part of the Chinese much dissatisfaction and criticism from all sides and an incipient internal rebellion. The teachers have a four years' agreement.

The Pacific Fishing and Exploration Company, which recently acquired the extensive fishing concessions of the Mexican Land and Colonization Company on the Lower California coast, is negotiating in San Francisco for several steamers and sailing vessels to be used in carrying on operations in the development of its concessions. A large force of Chinese is also to be employed in catching and drying fish for the Chinese market, the product to be taken from the peninsular coast to Mazatlan and placed aboard steamers of the China Commercial Steamship Company for shipment to the Orient.

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The two men who were arrested on suspicion of arson in connection with the fire in Queen's Road West on Saturday last will, it is understood, be liberated, no case having been made out against them.

Troops "E" and "H" of the Thirteenth U.S. Cavalry have left the States for Manila. The other troops were to follow soon afterwards.

The new Pacific Mail liner *Siberia* sailed on 11th March from San Francisco for Honolulu and the East on her maiden voyage.

San Francisco papers to hand record a big gambling raid on the *fan-tan* gambling houses of that city. Twenty Chinese were arrested, and the police captured ten thousand gold dollars in the place.

The board of survey appointed at Honolulu in the case of the British schooner *Genes* has made a report condemning the vessel as unseaworthy. This accords with the statements of several of the crew, who deserted and made complaints.

The P. & O. steamer *Coromandel*, with the English mail of the 13th ult., left Singapore on Saturday, at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on Thursday, at about 5 p.m. Replies are due to correspondence despatched hence on the 2th February.

Messrs. H. B. Chinnery and R. H. Raphael, who were members of the Oxford University Authentics cricket team that recently visited India and are now in Hongkong, will play a racquet match to-day at 4 p.m. against Major King and Mr. H. Hancock at the Racquet Courts. The gallery will be open to ladies.

It is announced that the Columbian Government will at the forthcoming session of Parliament pass a bill increasing the head tax on Chinese to \$300. It is now \$100, and until eighteen months ago only \$50 was imposed on Chinese who landed in British Columbia. It is also announced that the Government will take some action looking to the restriction of Japanese immigration, although nothing so drastic as in the case of the Chinese will be attempted.

ST. PATRICK'S CLUB BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

This tournament was concluded on Saturday last and ended in victory for the Kowloon Dock team. The team from the Royal Garrison Artillery was second. The prize, a cup, for the best break was won by Mr. C. M. P. Remedios of the Club Luisitano team, who made a break of 49 points. The prizes were presented immediately after the final tie, and following the presentation an impromptu concert was got up which passed off harmoniously and with great success.

THE LILLIPUTIANS.

The Pollard's Lilliputian Company arrived from Manila to-day and will give their first performance of *Dorothy* to-morrow instead of Thursday as previously announced. This enables the Company to give two performances of *Dorothy*. There will be no performance on Good Friday. *Geisha* will be staged for Saturday matinee, and also on Saturday and Monday evenings. On Tuesday, the ever popular *Belle of New York* will be revived, followed by *Le Masette* and the latest American success *Pousse Gafe*.

HEALTH OF THE COLONY.

The total number of plague cases was increased by eight which were notified to the authorities during the two days ended at noon yesterday. This is a gratifying decrease on the figures of preceding days. All the victims were Chinese, and all died. Two of the bodies were found in the streets, and the others came from various districts. For the year the total number of fatal cases of bubonic plague is now 199, 59 having been contributed during the week ended on Saturday out of 66 cases which were reported. Of cases of communicable disease other than plague which were notified during the same period, one European contracted diphtheria and two Europeans enter a fever, but in no case was the issue fatal.

LAUNCH SUNK IN THE HARBOUR.

By an accident which occurred in the harbour yesterday morning, the Kowloon Godown Company have been temporarily deprived of the services of one of their launches. The Glasgow steamer *Sikh* was making slowly for No. 1 wharf, and the *Pelican*, the launch which met with the mishap, had one end of the steamer's mooring line board for the purpose of attaching it to the wharf and thus facilitating the operation of mooring. On board the steamer they commenced hauling in the line, and gradually the *Pelican*, which is not much bigger than a sampan, and very light, was dragged close under the stern of the *Sikh*, whose revolving propeller struck the launch on the bow, knocking a hole therein and causing her to sink in a couple of minutes. The crew were saved.

OUTBREAK OF FIRE.

Fire broke out about half-past two o'clock yesterday morning on the ground floor of a three-story house at 19, Circular Pathway. The flames spread very quickly, and engulfed the two upper floors, both of which, with the ground floor, were completely destroyed. The first floor, a family house, was uninsured, but the second, which was also used as a family house, was insured for \$1,500 in the Transatlantic Company, and the ground floor in the Hong On Insurance Company for \$2,500. The cause of the fire is unknown.

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TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

SILVER FOR THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, 4th April.
The Washington Treasury has purchased 384,500 ounces of silver for coining pesos for the Philippines. The price paid averages six cents an ounce.

THE KING IN PORTUGAL.

LONDON, 4th April.
His Majesty King Edward received the Portuguese diplomats who presented an Address from the Cortes adjuring in the warmest terms to the alliance between the two countries which had been maintained for five centuries. King Edward replied, and said that he accepted the address as a renewed affirmation of the alliance to-day; that alliance could only tend to the peaceful development of their respective countries and colonies.

His Majesty King Edward will visit Rome between the 27th and 30th instant.

INTERNATIONAL COURTESIES.

LONDON, 4th April.
British and Italian squadrons will go to Algiers to salute President Loubet on his approaching visit to Algeria and Tunis.

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

Lovers of good music have the opportunity afforded them to-night of attending a first-class concert at the City Hall. Mr. H. Knopf, of the Brussels Conservatoire of Music, who has been giving a series of very successful concerts in Indo-China, is now visiting Hongkong, and announces in our advertising columns a concert for this evening. Associated with Mr. Knopf is Mrs. Jewell, a charming singer; Mr. de Graaf, a brilliant violinist; and Mrs. Coggins, a talented pianist who plays the accompaniment.

A few nights ago through the good offices of Mr. Trevoux the talented quartet gave a concert at Canton. The Club room was crowded, and a report we have received speaks in the very highest terms of the ability of the performers. That the audience was delighted was testified by

whose views are opposed to those of the High School memorialists, and who would certainly have insisted upon the deletion of paragraph 8 of the Petition of the 30th March, 1903, or a modification thereof before signatures would have been affixed to the signature-sheets. With the object of the petition I emphatically assert the Chinese are entirely at one, but with the inclusion of this school class' opinions do not entirely concur.—I am, Yours, etc.

HO KOM TONG.

YARN TRADE AND YARN BROKERS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS".

Hongkong, 8th April.

Sir.—There are many firms in Hongkong with head offices in Bombay who deal extensively in yarn. This trade has been in existence for a number of years past. There are some large firms doing the bulk of the whole trade. They receive shiploads of the staple by almost every steamer. Those in the line as well as those outside it who have been observing the trend of business have noted one very remarkable thing. It may be considered strange that for so many years past those abroad merchants have encouraged a sort of monopoly as regards brokering business. One firm has one fixed broker of its own. In some cases one man is brokering to a number of houses. On the face of it this is a monopoly whose only recommendation is shortsightedness. Healthy competition in every department of business tends to a healthy growth of that business. By one broker monopolising one or more firms there is no room left for healthy competition and its resultant profits in the shape of higher prices. It would be to the interest not only of local importers but of the Bombay mill-owners to give free scope to competition. In exchange, share property and kindred transactions the market is open to all and sundry and the highest bidder has naturally the greatest chances of success. In Bombay the case is quite different. The yarn market is open to all-comers. In a healthy competition each individual broker has an opportunity of showing his pluck and energy, push and perseverance, knowledge of the trade, originality of suggestion and improvements, and statistical and analytical grasp. Such men in the capacity of brokers would certainly be much more appreciated by real business men than mere drones. Really this is a question vitally affecting the yarn trade, the local yarn merchants and the Bombay mill-owners, and Hongkong and Bombay are in the nature of things the proper places to discuss this question and find out some solution in the interest of the yarn trade and the mill industry. The present system in vogue encourages softness and indolence in young men who ought to be made to show greater energy and business aptitude; it does something worse: it gorges a few and starves many. A system of open market for all comers would be a most desirable change for the letter; it would lift the mantle of individual brokers; it would stimulate a healthy rivalry; it would enliven the market; it would improve upon the present position of "Massa, buy, no buy! Massa pay quart dollar more price book"; it would bring proportionate gain to the pockets of local importers and Bombay mill-owners; it would bring half a loaf to many instead of at present of a whole one to a very few. In the present state of things these brokers really earn more than their actual pains and trouble, their education and intelligence entitle them to without any reciprocating advantage to the firms who employ them or to the mills who export their stuff here. Yours, etc.

OPEN DOOR.

THE LAWN TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The following are additional results in the Lawn-Tennis Tournament presently going on at the Cricket Ground.—

CHAMPIONSHIP.

C. Rademacher beat J. E. Lee.
H. M. S. beat N. S. Tringham.
H. Hancock beat C. E. H. Beavis.
SINGLES—"A" CLASS.
T. Tyrwhitt (receive 2/6) beat P. M. Heath (owe 30).
G. A. Cooke (scratch) beat C. P. Cheshire (scratch).

SINGLES—"B" CLASS.

H. W. Sayer (owe 15) beat E. J. Hughes (receive 3/6).
W. J. S. Harvey (owe 15) beat M. A. A. South (owe 15).

DOUBLES.

H. Pinckney and J. H. Yeats (ows 30.2) beat C. Rademacher and H. Humphreys (owe 15.4).
W. L. Martin and A. S. Butt (owe 15.4) beat R. A. Schlanders and F. H. Bell.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS.

W. E. On and G. C. Grist beat H. Pinckney and F. H. Yeats.
E. Miles and A. J. Shaw beat B. E. Hanlon and P. P. P. Jones.
T. Tyrwhitt and E. A. Ham beat K. A. Schlanders and F. H. Bell.

J. H. Swan and J. M. Atkinson beat W. Armstrong and G. H. Edwards.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

M. B. Rimington (scratch) v. F. H. Yeats (owe 15).
W. H. Howard (owe 15.2) v. C. C. Hiching (owe 15).

H. M. Bain (receive 3/6) v. L. A. Musso (owe 15.4).
G. Grimble (receive 3/6) v. F. H. Bell (owe 15.2).

H. C. Norris and P. W. Goldring (receive 2/6) v. C. P. Cheshire and J. Hooper (owe 3/6).

G. E. H. Beavis and A. B. Bone (owe 15) v. E. J. Davis and E. J. Boggs.

POLICE COURT.

Monday, 8th April.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

DISOBEDIENCE ON A SHIP.

A Spanish seaman on the sailing ship *Horizon de Tropas* was charged by the master with disobeying lawful orders and absenting himself from the ship without permission. He pleaded not guilty.

The complainant said the defendant had done no work since 12th March. A summons was taken out against him, but he deserted the ship and so it could not be served. He was not seen again till Sunday night last, when the complainant came across him and gave him into custody.

His Worship—Did he leave any effects on board?

Complainant—Nothing of any value.

His Worship—Any wages coming to him?

Complainant—Yes, about seven or eight pounds. I summoned him at the Harbour Master's office on 14th March, but when the Harbour Master found he could not speak much English, he dismissed the case.

His Worship—Was that summons in connection with his disobedience of orders on 12th March?

Complainant—Yes.

His Worship—Was the case actually heard by the Harbour Master?

Complainant—Yes. He asked the defendant a few questions, and when he found he could not understand he dismissed the case.

His Worship—When the case came before the Harbour Master, you were not put in the box—were you?

Complainant—No, sir.

The defendant, who had nothing to say by way of excuse, said that he did not wish to go back to the ship, and was told by his Worship that he would be placed on board, was ordered to forfeit two days' pay on each charge and four days' pay for each day he had been absent from the ship.

BUREAUX FROM A SHOP.

On the morning of 10th March last, Mrs. Carvalho, who keeps a draper's shop in Caine Road, discovered that the premises had been broken into during the night and thirty rolls of cloth of the total value of about \$1000 stolen. The police were communicated with, and they found twenty of the rolls in a rubbish basket in Caine Road, where they had evidently been placed by the thief or thieves to avoid detection. Nothing further transpired for a time, but on Sunday forenoon last Mrs. Carvalho, who was prosecuting a quiet search for her property, came across some of the missing rolls in a piece-goods shop kept by a Chinaman at 2, Wing On Street. She reported her discovery to the police, and the shop proprietor was arrested. He imparted certain information, on the strength of which another Chinaman was arrested in a house in Graham Street.

Against this man the shopkeeper gave evidence that he had sold the cloth to him, and that he purchased it on the understanding that it had been honestly come by. Mrs. Carvalho identified the cloth as her property, and the thief, who acted in conjunction with a confederate who has escaped, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELDINE (POLICE MAGISTRATE).

RECEIVING STOLEN GOODS.

In connection with the above case of burglary the proprietor of the shop in Wing On Street where part of the stolen property was disposed of was transferred to the Senior Magistrate's Court and placed in the dock on a charge of receiving ten rolls of cloth, knowing them to have been stolen or unlawfully obtained. He pleaded not guilty.

Mrs. Carvalho again gave evidence identifying her property and assessing its value. When she entered the shop the second time accompanied by Detective-Sergeant Kerr, who made the arrests, the defendant, in reply to a question, said he bought the cloth two years ago. He also stated, when eight rolls had been recovered, that there were no more, but at the Central Police Station he contradicted this statement and took Sergeant Kerr back to the shop, where the remainder of the cloth was found in the shape of Chinese clothing, part of the cloth having been made up into articles of wear.

Sergeant Kerr went into the witness-box and gave corroborative evidence as to the finding of the goods.

The convicted Chinaman in the previous case also gave evidence. He started by denying that he stole the cloth, and said it was brought to him by two other men. In February the defendant had told him that he would buy any cloth he had for sale, and so he sent for the defendant, who gave him \$75 for the ten rolls. Witness paid the two thieves \$70, and kept \$5 for himself.

In his statement the defendant said he made the purchase in good faith. He told the last witness, who was a marine hawk-r, that he believed the cloth had been stolen, and would not buy it on that account. The last witness assured him that it had not been stolen, and the defendant took his word and made the purchase.

His Worship, in passing sentence of three months' hard labour, said the cloth was worth about \$300, and he was quite satisfied that when the defendant paid only \$75 for it he knew quite well he was trafficking in stolen property. It was absolutely necessary to deal severely with men who received stolen property, for they enabled thieves to get rid of their loot and so encouraged crime.

THE FOREIGN TRADE OF CHINA IN 1902.

The "Return of Trade and Trade Report for the Year 1902" have just been issued by the Statistical Department of the I. M. Customs. The following is the Report.—

GENERAL.

Three noteworthy events connected with commerce took place during the year: the negotiation of a new British Commercial Treaty, the revision of the Import Tariff, and a heavy fall in exchange. Of these the last may prove important. The revised Import Tariff, owing to the fall in exchange and the rise in silver prices since the years 187, 1898, and 1899—upon the average values during which years the 5 per cent calculations were based, in accordance with the terms of the Protocol—has left the incidence of taxation very much as before. But the collapse in exchange which will call for higher currency prices for new cargo, with the uncertainty of its future movements, naturally disturbs the import trade, while, by augmenting the amount which the Government has to pay to its gold obligations, it has led to heavier internal taxation, which has a tendency to counteract any temporary advantage to exports. The pessimistic views expressed in some quarters regarding the commercial solvency of the country, based upon its extensive and evasive in China with the native drug. The crop of Szechuan Opium was short, and the disturbances in that province interfered for a time with its free movement; this raised the price and assisted Indian Opium in the difficulties caused by exchange.

The importation of opium was 50,801 piculs—again a small advance. The demand throughout the year was brisk, especially for the Bengal varieties, although the fall in exchange forced up prices. The consumption of Malwa fell off, partly owing to its dearness and partly owing to its extensive and evasive in China with the native drug. The crop of Szechuan Opium was short, and the disturbances in that province interfered for a time with its free movement; this raised the price and assisted Indian Opium in the difficulties caused by exchange.

The value of Cotton Goods of all kinds imported was estimated at Hk. Tls. 127,545,360, as compared with Hk. Tls. 99,651,999 during 1901, and nearly all the principal staples shared in the increase. Large purchases were made towards the end of the previous year to replenish depleted stocks and prepare for the expected revival of trade in the northern markets, and the arrivals during 1902 were so heavy that a considerable quantity remained in the godowns of the Foreign importers at the end of the year. Grey Shirtings rose from 4,121,655 to 6,317,698 pieces; White Shirtings, from 9,476,846 to 2,743,104 pieces. T. Clotia, etc., were nearly trebled in quantity. Drills, and English Jeans made the astonishing advance from 41,683 to 360,838 pieces, while Dutch and American about doubled. Sheetings also found an increased enquiry, the American trade going ahead as usual. It is interesting to note, and is not without significance, that Japanese Drills rose from 23 to 11,621 pieces, and Japanese Sheetings from 13,06 to 115,366 pieces. Chintz, etc., were nearly trebled in quantity. Twills doubled, and Turkey Reds rose from 192,930 to 276,996 pieces. Handkerchiefs and Towels showed satisfactory advance. English Cotton Yarn continued its downward course and has now fallen to 32,351 piculs, while Indian has reached 1,887,086 piculs, and Japanese, 523,408 piculs.

The trade in Woollen Goods showed that the improvement of the previous year was only temporary, and the importation fell again. Metals were valued at Hk. Tls. 10,574,928, about the same as in 1901, and the trade presented no special features of interest except an increase in the importation of Copper, presumably for the coinage of the new cash.

Sundries were valued at Hk. Tls. 136,948,992, or about 17 millions higher than in 1901. The import of Rice was doubled, owing to bad crops in the South, and was valued at Hk. Tls. 23,611,125. Morphine was again imported in larger quantities, but it is to be hoped that this was not due to increased demand, but to the higher duty soon to come into force. Cement, Clocks and Watches, Aniline Dyes, Window Glass, Japan Matches, Needles, and Sugar of all kinds all show progress. On the other hand, Kerosene Oil, with the exception of the Oil from Borneo, shows decreases, Russian Oil having fallen to 10,105,886 gallons from 32,462,070 gallons, thus losing the ground gained during the last 10 years.

(b) Exports.—The value of Exports was estimated at Hk. Tls. 214,181,584, or Hk. Tls. 44,524,827 higher than in 1901. There is reason to believe that the trade might safely be estimated at a considerably higher figure, as the values adopted at the ports for Returns purposes appear in many instances to be too low. The export of Sesame Seed, in increasing trade, rose from 297,365 to 882,302 piculs, due to the opening up of new country by the southern section of the Loo-Han Railway. Bespoke and Beans, for which there is a large demand from Japan, Bristles, Cassia Lignos, Feathers, Hemp, Hides, Nutgalls, Oils, Rhubarb, Animal Tallow, Tobacco, and Wood all showed satisfactory advance. The demand for Straw Braid continues to improve. There was a large export of Raw Cotton to Japan, whence it returns in the shape of Yarn, which is able to compete with the heavily taxed home-made product. The shinko in Mats, from 23,334,410 to 24,021,410 pieces, is said to be due to quantities passing through Kwangchowwan by steamer under French flag to Macao, then not passing through the Returns of the Customs. The falling off in Bush Hats from 7,158,982 to 3,53,378 pieces was due to a smaller demand for these goods, which are being replaced especially in America, by hats made of wood shavings (Hinoki) imported from Japan and made in Ningpo.

Although the quality showed some improvement as compared with that of 1901, there seems a consensus of opinion amongst experts that the tea from all districts, except Ichang, have fallen off deplorably in quality and style during the last 20 years. The Chinese will take no advice and refuse to listen to any suggestions regarding change in cultivation and manufacture.

Conditions were not altogether favourable to commerce. A very severe outbreak of cholera throughout almost the whole Empire, followed by floods in the South, where a rebellion is not yet suppressed, and a want of confidence in the northern provinces, all had a retarding influence. The fall in

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A REMARKABLE DERELICT.

Referring to the barque *Fannie Kerr*, reported as derelict in our columns last week the *M.C. Daily News* says:—

The *Fannie Kerr* was a British, four-masted, steel barque of 2,426 tons built in 1892 at Liverpool. She was commanded by Captain Gibbons, and in April last year left Newcastle, N.S.W., bound for San Francisco, with a valuable cargo of coal. The last heard of her was on the 6th June, when her captain and crew landed at Kaapi, an island in the Hawaii Group, made their way to Honolulu, and eventually secured passage by steamer to San Francisco. The captain reported that he had been compelled to abandon his vessel, which had been totally destroyed by fire. Claims were made on the Insurance Companies, which paid up the full amount of their obligations. Ten months later, the *s.s. Heathcote* reports the derelict to be still smouldering and to have drifted as far as

Formosa; very nearly to the place where the *Felicita Petersen* was stranded last November, Moreover, it is still drifting and is dangerous.

A surmise which may possibly explain how it comes that the derelict should survive so long is that the captain, finding his holds hot when in the neighbourhood of Hawaii, and not having a possibility of seeing more land for a considerable period, abandoned the vessel; that the coal subsequently fused, as Australian coal will, and that it has continued to smoulder in the water since. The barque is a fine steel vessel, and may yet prove valuable salvage.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The *P. & O. steamer Cormandel* left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., at 4 p.m. on the 9th inst., at about 5 p.m.

The *P. M. steamer Siberia*, with mails, &c., left Shanghai for this port on the 5th inst., at 3 a.m.

The *P. M. steamer Kōre*, with mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, &c., on the 4th inst.

The *O. & O. steamer Coptic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 19th inst., via Honolulu, will leave Yokohama for this port this morning, via Inland Sea, &c.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Sachsen* left Kobe via Nagasaki and Shanghai on the 5th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Nagasaki at 3 p.m. on the 6th inst., and left again at 5 p.m. on the 6th inst. for Kobe, where she is due to arrive at 9 p.m. to-day.

The Indo-China steamer *Nansing*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 4th inst., p.m.

10.—CHAMPIONSHIP, 1ST STAGE.—Distance 200 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the entries with \$15 added.

2.—CHAMPIONSHIP, 1ST STAGE.—Distance 500 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the entries with \$15 added.

3.—CHAMPIONSHIP, 1ST STAGE.—Distance 600 yards. Members only. No. of Shots—Seven. Entrance fee 50 cents. Three prizes value 50 per cent. of the entries with \$15 added.

4.—CHAMPIONSHIP, 1ST STAGE.—For competitors whose respective scores in Nos. 1, 2 and 3 make up the highest aggregate. Entrance fee 50 cents.

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THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 9th instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE delivery of their Goods from alongside, such Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1903. [1079]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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S.S. "SIKH" FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before NOON, To-morrow, the 7th inst.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 13th inst., at 3 P.M.

Before delivery of the Glasgow Cargo can be obtained, an average to be paid, now lying at the Office of the Undersigned, must be signed by Consignees.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1903. [1078]

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1903. [1080]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, for account of the concerned, to-morrow (Wednesday), the 8th April, 1903, at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Ice House Street, SUNDAY HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:

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BANK HOLIDAYS.

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1903. [1082]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out at Lyemun from 8-inch Howitzers TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 8th APRIL, 1903, at Tents in a South-Eastern direction.

Practice will commence at about 10 A.M.

By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 3rd April, 1903. [1054]

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1903. [1082]

AUCTIONS

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A. LEVEY, A. H. POLLARD,

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Hongkong, 7th April, 1902. [1068]

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Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 1 P.M. To-day, 6th inst.

No Goods not cleared by the 12th inst., at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Company's representative at an appointed hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1903. [1078]

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No Fire Insurance will be effected in any case whatever.

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Hongkong, 6th April, 1903. [1078]

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring near Kowloon are marked 1, nearest Hongkong, 2, midway between Hongkong and Kowloon, and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf are marked 3, 4, furthest from Hongkong.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's.

2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & CO.	DEPTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	2 m.	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLADIUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 14th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	JAVA	Brit. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 15th inst., at Noon.
LONDON	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 28th inst.
LONDON	PATROCLUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 26th May.
LONDON	HESYON	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 9th June.
LONDON	PINGSEY	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 18th inst.
LIVERPOOL via MARESIELES	AGAMEMNON	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 17th May.
LIVERPOOL via GENOA	SYDNEY	Fren. str.	2 m.		MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-day, at 11 A.M.
MARSEILLES, &c. via PORTS OF CALL	INABA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 16th inst., at Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via ST. OGE, &c.	JASON	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 12th May.
MARSEILLES & ANTWERP	TANTALUS	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 21st May.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	SACHSEN	Ger. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 15th inst., at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KONIGSBERG	Ger. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 12th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAMIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 21st inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SERBIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 5th May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 19th May.
TRISTE &c. via SINGAPORE, &c.	SEGOVIA	Ger. str.	2 m.		SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 2nd June.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	FRANZ FREDERICK	Brit. str.	2 m.		DODWELL & CO., LTD.	On 16th inst., P.M.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	RICHMOND CASTLE	Brit. str.	2 m.		DODWELL, TOME & CO.	About 20th inst.
MANZANILLO, MEXICO & SAN FRANCISCO, &c.	PENEDOKESHIRE	Brit. str.	2 m.		J. S. VAN BUREN	On about 15th May.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	CHINOWO	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 25th inst., at Noon.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	EMPEROR OF INDIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 6th May.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via JAPAN	TOBA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	To-day, at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via NAGASAKI, &c.	OLYMPIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	To-morrow.
PORTLAND, OREGON	KEEMUN	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 18th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KAGA MARU	Brit. str.	2 m.		PORTLAND & ASIATIC S. S. CO.	On 21st inst., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	INDIAVELLI	Brit. str.	2 m.		GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 20th inst.
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	EASTERN	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 9th inst., at 10 A.M.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAITIAN	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 21st inst.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 17th inst., at Noon.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 10th inst., at Daylight.
DALYAN, PORT ARTHUR & VLADIVOSTOCK	SADO MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 17th inst., at 4 P.M.
HIENTSIN	TAINAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at Daylight.
CHEFOO NAGASAKI & VLADIVOSTOCK	KAUSHIANG	Brit. str.	2 m.		MELCHERS & CO.	On 23rd inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	WOOSEUNG	Fren. str.	2 m.		HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
SHANGHAI & TAKU	YARIA	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 15th inst.
SHANGHAI	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 12th inst.
TAMSUI, via SWATOW & AMOY	CORONADEL	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 8th inst.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJIN MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 15th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 10th inst.
MANILA, via AMOY	TALES	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 24th inst., at Daylight.
MANILA	PERLA	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst.
MANILA	SUNGKIANO	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 22nd inst., at Noon.
EASTERN	RUBI	Brit. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 15th inst.
ROSETTA MARU	TAITIAN	Brit. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 12th inst., at Daylight.
TAITIAN	FREIBURG	Ger. str.	2 m.		NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day.
KUNISANO	KUNISANO	Brit. str.	2 m.		MESAGERIES MARITIMES	On or about 7th inst.
PEKIN	IZUMI MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	On or about 8th inst.
CAPRI	CAPRI	Ital. str.	2 m.		BUTTERFIELD & SWINE	On 9th inst.
HIROSHIMA MARU	HIROSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	2 m.		P. & O. S. N. CO.	About 16th inst.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

ARRIVALS.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT—POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, PONDEICHERRY, CALCUTTA,
DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES,
MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK
SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,
ALSO
PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 7th April, at
11 A.M., the Company's Steamship
"SYDNEY," Captain Blane, with Mails,
Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this
Port for MARSEILLES, via Ports of Call,
WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London
as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in
transit through Marseilles for the principal
places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon
only on Monday, the 6th April, Specie and
Parcels received until 4 P.M., on the same day.
No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they
must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents
and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's
Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1903.

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CLEARANCES,
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
6th April.

Bugdo, Norwegian str., for Canton.
Flindalene, British str., for Shanghai.
Karna, Norwegian str., for Canton.
Kuonon, German str., for Canton.
Loongnon, German str., for Canton.
Prodres, Norwegian str., for Manila.
Pronto, Norwegian str., for Chefoo.
Taifu, German str., for Canton.
Tientsin, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.
6th April.

BYGDO, Norwegian str., for Canton.
FLINSHAN, British str., for Shanghai.
HOIHO, French str., for Hoifoo.
HOIHO, British str., for Canton.
KARIN, Norwegian str., for Canton.
KINGSLIN, British str., for Shanghai.
KOWLOON, German str., for Canton.
LOONGNOON, German str., for Canton.
PRODRES, Norwegian str., for Manila.
PRONTO, Norwegian str., for Chefoo.
TAIFU, German str., for Canton.
PELEUSE, British str., for Singapore.

VESSELS IN DOCK.
2nd April.

ARRIBERDEN DOCKS—Lena, U.S.S. Nanshun.

KOWLOON DOCKS—Kinsland, Compania de

Filipinas, Sherman, Isla de Cuba, Zafiro, U.S.S.

Helena, Hainan, Mongolia, Hermes, Stanley,

Hydes, Chingtau, Rue, H.M.S. Ocean.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—Kinsland.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Catherine Apcor, from

Calcutta and Straits 21st March, had light N.E.

breeze from Singapore to Paracel Islands;

steered N.E. wind with head sea from Paracel
Islands to port.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

March 11, Dutch str., Gede, Bagochus, March

11, from Batavia for Rotterdam.

March 14, Dutch str., Londoer, Gathrie, from

Rotterdam for Batavia.

March 16, Norwegian str., Vanda, Magneus,

March 31, from Delagoa Bay for Anjer.

March 18, Dutch str., Teucer, Lyctt, from

Amsterdam for Batavia.

March 18, Dutch str., Princes Amalia, J.

Potjer, March 18, from Batavia for Amsterdam.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

NEITHER THE CAPTAIN, THE AGENTS, nor

THE OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE

for ANY DEBT contracted by the Officers or

the Crew of the following Vessels during their

stay in Hongkong Harbour.

THE DINING-CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated

by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisines are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Lists of Passages and Freight, apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent.

Standard Oil Co.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP CO.
BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
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VIA
SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND
YOKOHAMA.FOR
VICTORIA, B.C., AND TACOMA,
IN CONNECTION WITH
NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Steamer.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
OLYMPIA	J. Truebridge	2,837	April 8th
TAC MA	A. Lixon	2,812	April 17th
HYADES	Geo. Wright	3,753	May 5th
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